

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota is the home of Lois Mae Filipek, and we are richer because Lois lives among us; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Lois was born March 12, 1917, at Frankfort, South Dakota, to Walter and Ethel Willie and graduated from Frankfort High School in 1936; and,

*Whereas*, Lois married Stanley Filipek on November 28, 1939, and to this union they were blessed with 4 children, 8 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild; and,

*Whereas*, Lois and her husband farmed and raised their family in Frankfort until later retiring and moving to Redfield, South Dakota, where Lois currently resides; and,

*Whereas*, Lois will observe her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family and friends gather on March 11, 2017, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 12, 2017, as

### *LOIS FILIPEK DAY*

in South Dakota, and I join her family and friends in wishing her a happy birthday.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Terese J. Bray, Deputy Secretary*  
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State